



WESTPORT, CONNECTICUT

FLOOD & EROSION CONTROL BOARD

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MINUTES

Flood & Erosion Control Board Meeting of September 4, 2024

Present for the Board: Paul Lobdell (Chair)
Ronald Clarke
Ricardo Ceballos (Alternate)

Present for Department of Public Works: Edward Gill, Engineer I

Paul Lobdell, Chair, opened the meeting at 7:30 pm.

Public Hearing

1. **5 Quentin Road / WPL-11978-24**; Application of Andra Vebell and Larry Hoy to construct a pool, patios, and a deck. The proposed activity is within the WPL area of Gray's Creek.

The application was presented by Andra Vebell and Larry Hoy.

Per the Chair's request, Edward Gill summarized the Engineering Department's review. Mr. Gill said that his review noted some minor revisions that would be required for the grading and drainage calculations, but that the applicant had already revised the Site Plan to address most of those changes, and the rest could be addressed prior to obtaining a Zoning Permit. He said that he would recommend approval.

There were questions from the Board regarding the revisions requested by Mr. Gill, the berm around the neighborhood of the subject property, resiliency of the proposed activity, and the FEMA compliance of the existing house.

The Chair asked if there were any comments from the Public. There were none.

The following Standard Conditions of Approval were deemed necessary: 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12.

DECISION: Proposed Project Approved, 3(Y)-0(N).

Discussion

Mr. Gill gave a summary of the impacts of the recent rainstorm on 8/18/2024 in Westport, and updates related to a recently completed stream cleaning in the area of Hitchcock Road as well as the upcoming cleaning of Pussy Willow Brook at 55 Green's Farms Road.

The Chair updated the Board regarding the upcoming meeting with interested parties regarding possible changes to the Waterway Protection Line Ordinance, and said he would attend and bring a summary of the meeting back to the next meeting of the F&ECB. He also said that he would discuss at that meeting the possibility of changing the Flood & Erosion Control Board to reflect changes to the State Statutes and make the Board a Flood Prevention, Climate Resilience, and Erosion Control Board.

The Board discussed their support of the stream cleaning projects, and the importance of continuing to gather data and reactions from residents related to this work.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul H. Lobdell, Chair
Flood & Erosion Control Board

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Cc: First Selectwoman, Town Attorney, Public Works Director, Planning & Zoning Director, Conservation Director, RTM Moderator, Chair of RTM Environment Committee, Chair of RTM Public Works Committee, Applicants, minutes@westportct.gov

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